Boss of Loft When Play is

Times by invitation, went into the fly These "drops" are all painted pieces. gallery, and thence into the rigging- and form the backings of the big loft and thence to the gridiron over scenes of the drama. the stage of the Auditorium on Christmas night and spent three hours | Singer has a crew of 30 picked men.

with quickness and promptness.

hung from the gridiron which is 90 | many feet under ground.

A representative of the News- feet above the level of the stage.

there. The largest theatrical attrac- and every one of them must be as tion in American, "The Garden of quick of perception and quick of ac-Allah", was playing on the stage be- tion as a crack baseball player allow. It was an odd but very inter- though he works at a perilous height esting angle from which to study one and sometimes where it is as dark as portion of the mechanical working of a pocket, frequently in dark scenes a theatrical performance using a great on the stage, no light penetrates the lone spots of the upper stage region. The representative was taken in He also must know the exact location charge by A. L. Singer, a mild-man- of every rope among the myriads of nered, swarthy man, who is the mas- them, and the position of every counter flyman of the Liebler company's terweight among the hundreds of mammoth spectacle, "The Garden of them, that are used in so mammoth Allah". Singer was a man of few a production as "The Garden of Alwords, and one might say short lah". A mistake would ruin a scene words, too, for his sentences are all or perhaps a performance on the snapped off in monosyllables. He said stage below. His every movement that he had been called "the man must be as sure as the strike of a piswho is never seen and seldom heard'. ton-rod, and made with as much pre-The reason of this is that his work is cision. There are 90 hanging pieces so far above the stage that signals in the scenery of "The Garden of Aland alarms, by which he works, are lah", and each one of these has its all sent him by electric bels and own set of lines and is suspended buzzers, and he, therefore, is not re- from the flys in its own particular quired to talk. One of the vital rules place. When the signal comes from of the master flyman is that he musi the stage below, Singer must know ! know the meaning of every one of just how and when to direct his men. these numerous signals, and his work He is the autocrat of the fly-floor and must be accurate and accomplished the gridiron, and he demands and gets prompt and intelligent obedience. On the stage of the Auditorium are His methods are not unlike those of five baggage carloads of scenery and the master of an ocean liner. Those effects. One of these carloads con- quick-moving, sllent men high above sists entirely of what are known the stage, are as completely shut off technically as "drops". These are all from the world as if they were as



"THE GARDEN OF ALLAH."

dents to hold in thememory, a background of pageant and atmosphere and a foreground given over to a noble and moving story of faith and the Auditorium Christmas day.

It is in reality a "staging" of that our familiar English.

The story of the Trappist monk who renounced his vows, fled to the city and then to the desert, for liverty and love, who found love indeed, but lost the divine approval under which he had been happy, who was led by that very human love to return to his first vows, is wonderfully constructed. It might easily be rendered with offensive affectation or with excessive sentiment. The Auditorium production avoided all these dangers. The elements of love and faith are introduced with restraint and reverence and in the end both loo kmore beautiful and worthy.

Lawson Butt has the difficult role of the runaway monk, and presents this very complex character with strong realism and unusual skill as an elocutionist. He created the part in the original company, Mtss saran Truax replaces Donnelly of that organization and in the role of Domini Police Won't Let a Man be Good if is winsome and convincing. There is a great deal of talk in this drama and the effects are produced by a play of the emotions rather than by action. Miss Truax, in presence and demeanor, is worthy of this part. John Blair as the Count Anteoni is a fine type of the modern nobleman, once clerical and manly. Among the Arabian actors who take the native parts the most interesting is Saleem Ayobb, as the sand diviner. The minor parts, both European and native, are effectively presented and the scenes are splendid in effect and accurate as to detail. The engagement will continue until Saturday night.

AT THE ORPHEUM.

deserve it. They are well formed, living. bition is different and interesting county jail. every moment.

Phina and her picks are a chocolate colored lot of performers who sing fairly and dance unusually well. The boys of the company impersonace girls and the girl plays a boy and they do it in a way to raise laughs. Phina hovers about and makes known the fact that she is really white. The eccentric dancing of the picks is the feature of the act.

Indiana, has a comedy sketch for two with more merit than is often seen in a two-people skit. He plays a wild mannered husband who imitates an oxicated man to teach his friend's a lesson and succeeds. There are number of bright lines and both players please.

The DeMichle brothers play a harp and violin with skill and introduce some comedy. Their selections were all well received. Young and April lay diabolo, blow and juggle soap bubbles skillfully and entertainingly. Pictures and personages of the Ori- The act is a pretty novelty and takes ent, spectacles for the eye and inci- well. They will entertain the kiddies at a soap bubble party on the stage after the Saturday matinee.

RUNAWAY TRAIN.

A leap from a train to the top of love and sacrifice, this in brief is "The a runaway freight car, is one of the Garden of Allah", the stage version of thrilling incidents in the great two Robert Hichens' novel presented at part Kalem production, "The Runaway Freight." This two-reel story novel rather than a mere 'dramatiza- picture will be seen at the American tion". Some novels may be dram- today. Billy and Ruth are sweethearts. atized but "The Garden of Allah" had Billy is a brakeman. His conductor, to be staged. The pictures painted Rand, also loves Ruth. The conductor so wonderfully by Mr. Hichens' words hires two hobos to attack his rival. had to beu reproduced with all the The tramps best Billy and hurl him off resources of stage mechanism and the train into a river. Billy swims to electrical effects. The desert itself shore. To please his mother Billy rehad to be searched for actors, both sign his job. Rand brands him as a men and brutes, and the action called quitter and Ruth, thinking such to be for unintelligible Arabic as well as the case, breaks their engagement. Word is received that a runaway The stage version is framed so as freight car is dashing down the track to convey all the atmosphere of that toward the fast mail. Ruth pleads faraway land with its lonely wastes with Rand to stop the runaway, but of sand in contrast to scenes of trop- the man declines because of the risk. ical splendor. The wildness of the Billy, however, climbs to the top of a sandstorm is one of the greatest stage car standing on the siding. He leaps effects of modern times. The drama aboard the runaway as it flashes by is sincere and forceful, each scene and succeeds in averting a wreck. holding the audience spellbound to its Billy's bravery is rewarded and he close and the mighty sacrifice with marries Ruth. Baby Lillian Wade, which the play ends is almost depres- the popular child actress, will be seen in "The Touch of a Child."

> "WHO KILLED OLGA CAREW?" This is an unusual two-reel production. Olga Carew is an adventuress 'n whom an artist becomes dangerously infatuated, when a friend interderes and with the help of a pretty farmer's daughter, manages to break the woman's hold on him. But the cure proves only temporary, and in order to make it more lasting the friend brings the country girl to the artist's studio in the city. During her visit Olga Carew is mysteriously murdered and as the circumstances point to the country girl she is arrested for the crime. At the Surprise theater

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MILWAUKEE, Dec. 26 .- A system of persecution in Ohio was given as suave, unpretentious and full of assurance. Frank Kingdon as Father Roubier is thoroughly priest-like, at ten years penal servitude by Judge A. the reason for his downfall by Henry M. Backus, upon pleading guilty of

Schneider told the court that when he was 17 years old he obtained a position in a bank at Columbus and! was tempted by \$40 and stole it. For this he was given an indeterminate sentence at the reformatory at Mansfield, where he spent 44 months. Upon being paroled Schneider went back to Columbus started in business There is a jolly holiday bill at the and was on the road to success when Orpheum. Just clean, wholesome a little later his record became vaudeville, plenty of life and variety known. He was bounded by the poin the acts and an excellently balanced lice, he claims and accused of several surglaries of which he was innocent. Roehm's Athletic girls, five in num- His business began to fall off and he ber, occupy the feature position and gave up trying to make an honest

splendidly developed girls who know; "When a man finds he can't get how to fense, box, wrestle and pose justice, what little mercy comes his without any needless delay and in a way is of little importance." said truly professional manner. The exhi- Schneider as he was led back to the

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